

## Wu, Jennifer

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**From:** Wu, Jennifer  
**Sent:** Thursday, June 29, 2017 9:44 AM  
**To:** Zimmerman, Breean (ECY)  
**Subject:** FW: LNFH check in

Hi Breean,

Thanks for the coordination and for setting a new date for the preliminary 401 certification. It looks like there's not going to be a government shutdown, so that's good news.

Are you free to talk today? I'd like to better understand the process for Ecology going out to public comment. If it's easier to write in an email, that's okay too. Obviously, if you're able to complete it before July 21<sup>st</sup>, that would be fantastic. However, being part of the government, I understand that there are steps that often take a certain amount of time. FYI, I think Mike still plans to call Sanjay or others in the next few days about the preliminary 401 certification, so we can talk about that too. - Jenny

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**From:** Zimmerman, Breean (ECY) [mailto:[bzim461@ECY.WA.GOV](mailto:bzim461@ECY.WA.GOV)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 28, 2017 8:17 AM  
**To:** Wu, Jennifer  
**Subject:** RE: LNFH check in

Jenny,

Thank you for your phone message yesterday and thank you for EPA's latest version of the antidegradation analysis for the Leavenworth National Fish Hatchery (LNFH). To answer your primary question, Ecology will not be going out for a preliminary draft 401 certification by or on June 30th.

If you recall, EPA proposed a date of June 30th under the assumption a final antidegradation analysis would be provided to Ecology by May 26th. Ecology received EPA's final antidegradation analysis for the LNFH via email on June 15th. I recognize the verbal collaboration between Ecology and EPA on the antidegradation analysis, none the less, there is also an internal process that must be adhered to within Ecology before a preliminary draft 401 certification is ready to go out the door.

Per our conversation on June 14th, I explained we would do our best to meet the June 30th date, but could not provide an assurance that the June 30th date would be met. This is primarily based on complicated schedules from the time Ecology received the final version (June 15th) to the quickly up and coming June 30th date.

As you may be aware, Ecology is facing the possibility of a government shutdown if a 2017-2019 budget is not passed by the legislature come close of business on June 30th. With the possibility of a government shutdown and the upcoming holiday, I propose a new date of July 21st. If there is a government shutdown and that shutdown lasts more than two or three days, the July 21st date will likely need to be reevaluated.

Thank you,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Wu, Jennifer [<mailto:Wu.Jennifer@epa.gov>]  
Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 10:54 AM  
To: Zimmerman, Breean (ECY) <[bzim461@ECY.WA.GOV](mailto:bzim461@ECY.WA.GOV)>  
Subject: RE: LNFH check in

Hi Breean, I'm in early next week and can make time whenever you're free. Let me know when you're free, and we can talk. You can also just email me or leave a voicemail on whether Ecology will be going out for a preliminary draft 401 certification by June 30, and if not, then by when.

If there's not a date certain that you know of, then my manager, Mike, will want to elevate it. If we don't touch base by next Tuesday, I'll plan on asking Mike to call Sanjay or another one of the managers. As you know, we're anxious to move forward on the permit, and Ecology's 401 certification process is the last step for us for getting the permit out. Thanks for the continued coordination, and I look forward to connecting. - Jenny

-----Original Message-----

From: Zimmerman, Breean (ECY) [<mailto:bzim461@ECY.WA.GOV>]  
Sent: Wednesday, June 21, 2017 9:10 AM  
To: Wu, Jennifer <[Wu.Jennifer@epa.gov](mailto:Wu.Jennifer@epa.gov)>  
Subject: LNFH check in

Hi Jenny,

I'm unexpectedly out of the office today and was scheduled to be out the rest of this week. We'll have to reschedule our checking. If you would provide me your availability early next week that would be great.

Breean Zimmerman

Sent from my iPhone